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LEGISLATIVE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY OFFICE

Subject:

Categorical Exclusion Re-Evaluation

HSIP-NHPB 1-2(113)114

Kalispell - West UPN 4773000

Gene Kaufman, Operations Engineer Federal Highway Administration

585 Shepard Way, Suite 2 Helena, MT 59601-9785

Dear Gene,

Environmental Services has reviewed the above proposed project's impacts and has determined that this proposed project still qualifies as a Categorical Exclusion (CE) under the provisions of 23 CFR 771.129(c). The original CE was signed March 4, 2010 and is attached. This proposed action also continues to qualify as a categorical exclusion under the provisions of ARM 18.2.261 (Sections 75-1-103 and 75-1-201, M.C.A.).

The Scope-of-Work for the proposed project has been reviewed and has not changed. As a result of this review, we have reviewed the project reports and found that in accordance with 23 CFR 771.117(a), this action will neither individually or cumulatively, have any significant environmental impacts. In accordance with the Federal Highway Administration's concurrence letter of April 15, 1999, this notification documents that this proposed action is still properly classified as a CE under the provisions of 23 CFR 771.117(d).

If you have any questions, please phone Susan Kilcrease at 406.523.5842. She will be pleased to assist you.

Sincerely,

Heidy Bruner, P.E.

**Engineering Section Supervisor** 

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